



August 15, 2000

Mr. William L. Bider, Director  
Bureau of Waste Management  
Department of Health and Environment  
State Of Kansas  
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RE: Financial Assurance Issue connected with Safety-Kleen Facilities operating in Kansas

Dear Mr. Bider:

This correspondence is in response to your August 1, 2000 letter requesting formal notification from the company regarding our efforts to obtain replacement financial assurance, for Safety-Kleen Facilities operating in the State of Kansas, by September 29, 2000. Please be advised that these facilities will be unable to provide replacement financial assurance by this deadline. Our June 27, 2000 correspondence, addressed to the Agency, outlines the reasons why compliant financial assurance cannot be obtained.

The Company and its affiliates would like to enter into a Consent Agreement, with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, which would address non-compliance through a stipulated compliance assurance schedule. We are prepared to work diligently with the Department such that this Consent Agreement would be in place not later than September 29, 2000. Our Corporate Counsel, Craig Lackey, has already been in contact with Mr. Bill Anderson, Counsel for the Department, concerning our willingness to enter into this Agreement.

We appreciate the Department's willingness to address this matter through the Consent Agreement process and look forward to consummating the Agreement. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (803) 933-6430 should you have any questions concerning this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Phillip G. Retallick, Senior Vice President  
Corporate Compliance, Engineering and Technology

CC: Mr. Bill Anderson, KDHE  
Mr. James Gilliland, KDHE  
Mr. Craig Lackey, Safety-Kleen Corp.

